IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: ASBESTOS PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

This document relates to:

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02-2635	SHIRK	:	NO. MDL 875
02-2735		:	
02-2736	HOOD	:	
02-2737	HART	:	
02-2738	JOHNSON	:	
02-2681	SHIRK	:	
02-2845	KINIUK	:	
02-3166	HRYCYK	:	
02-3168	GREEN	:	
02-3169	SAKEWICZ	:	
02-3170	HENDRICKS	:	
02-3171	PALMER	:	
02-3172	BERRY	:	
02-3175	SOLOMON	:	
02-3176	ROMANOWSKI	:	
02-3177	O'DONNELL	:	
02-3448	HARTMANN	:	
02-3449	ROCKS	:	
02-3450	REED	:	
02-3451	GAMBLER	:	
02-3452	MACAULEY	:	
02-3630	ALIBERT	:	
02-3631		:	
02-3632		:	
02-3847	HAMMOND	:	
02-3848	POTTER	:	
02-4095	SMITH	:	
02-4096	SEARFOSS	:	
02-4097		:	
02-4101		:	
02-4339	MEYER	:	

ORDER

The Court having been advised that the issues raised in each of these actions are also presently pending before the Honorable District Court Judge Alfred Wolin. Judge Wolin has been specially designated to sit in the District of Delaware and preside over these matters. Further, the Judge has set a schedule and will proceed appropriately. In the interest of judicial economy and for a prompt resolution of all outstanding issues this Court will hold its action in abeyance and await the ruling by the Bankruptcy Court.

IT IS THEREFORE THE ORDER OF THIS COURT that all pending motions for abstention and remand are denied without prejudice at this time with leave to renew at a later date. The cases are administratively dismissed, subject to reinstatement following the determination of the bankruptcy issues by Judge Wolin and any subsequent appeals thereto.

Done this 5^{th} day of August, 2002.

BY THE COURT

Charles R. Weiner, SJ